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I do not agree with the current settlement in this case.

Microsoft is an abusive monopoly whose anticompetitive behavior has been ongoing, consistent, and damaging to consumers and to the market place. History is littered with products that Microsoft

Microsoft continues to bundle products for no other reason than to destroy competing products. And they leverage their dominance of the desktop to the fullest.

They continue to cite "consumer demand" for their bundling actions, but I defy you to find one legitimate study of consumers that would indicate a requirement, or even desire for Microsoft's actions. Certainly I doubt seriously that there would be justification for many of the "features" in the Corporate environment.

I have been in the computer business for over 20 years and have dealt with all the largest computer companies. None have exhibited the disrespect for security, stability, or features that Microsoft has demonstrated - for years. None have so clearly leveraged their product with the destruction of competition as the aim. None have so distorted the English Language ("innovation" comes to mind), either.

Please do not fold on the issues.

Microsoft earned strict, severe and lasting punishment for their actions. They are a monopoly; they are anti-competitive; and they show absolutely no signs of changing.

Thank you,
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